

REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Communication dated May 5, 2004. Applicants have corrected the informalities indicated in the Office Communication by re-submitting the entire "In the Claims" section. In particular, Applicants have changed the status identifier for Claims 5-6 and 41-42 from (Previously Amended) to (Previously Presented). Applicants have also changed the status identifier for Claims 2-4, 10-36, 38-40 and 43-54 from (Previously Canceled) to (Canceled).

Upon entry of the foregoing Response and Amendment dated April 22, 2004, Claims 1, 5-9, 37 and 41-42 are pending in the patent application. Applicants respectfully request further examination of the patent application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

It is believed no fee is due for the filing of this paper. If this is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees which may be required for this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-1481.

Respectfully submitted,



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